

Minutes of the Justice Committee

The Justice Committee of the McLean County Board met on Tuesday, July 5, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. in Room 400 of the Government Center, 115 E. Washington Street, Bloomington, Illinois.

Members Present: Chairman William Caisley, Members Carlo Robustelli, Erik Rankin, George Wendt, Susan Schafer and Laurie Wollrab

Members Absent: Member Don Cavallini

Other County Board
Members Present

Staff Present: Mr. Bill Wasson, County Administrator; Ms. Hannah Eisner, Assistant County Administrator; Mr. Don Knapp, First Civil Assistant State's Attorney; and Ms. Julie Morlock, Recording Secretary;

Department Heads/
Elected Officials Present: Lori McCormick, Director, Court Services; Mr. Jason Chambers, State's Attorney; Ms. Kathy Davis, Coroner; Ms. Carla Barnes, Public Defender;

Others Present:

Chairman Caisley called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. and declared a quorum.

Chairman Caisley indicated there were no minutes to be approved.

Ms. Kathy Davis, Coroner presented her monthly report. Mr. Wendt asked about the deaths involving drugs. Ms. Davis indicated it was an accidental overdose and went on to discuss the drugs being used and abused in the community and in other parts of the State. Ms. Davis stated that she felt McLean County's numbers had stayed lower than other areas of the State because of our law enforcement. Chairman Caisley asked if there were any further questions for the Coroner; hearing none, he thanked Ms. Davis.

Chairman Caisley stated that Ms. Brucker was not present but her report was provided in the packet.

Mr. Everhart, McLean County Circuit Clerk presented for action an Emergency Appropriation Ordinance for copy machines in his office that are going to be rented and not leased as he had thought when he originally did his budget. Mr. Wendt asked why we were renting as opposed to buying. Mr. Wasson stated that Information Technologies determined through an RFP that it was more efficient to rent the copy machines based on the cost over the life of the copy machines.

Motion by Schafer/Rankin to recommend approval of the Emergency Appropriation Ordinance for the General Fund of the McLean County Circuit Clerk's Office.

Motion Carried

Mr. Everhart presented his monthly reports. Chairman Caisley asked if there were any questions or comments; hearing none, he thanked Mr. Everhart.

Ms. Carla Barnes, Public Defender presented her monthly report. Chairman Caisley commented on the number of post convictions. Ms. Barnes discussed the number of cases covered by her office and the contract attorney. Chairman Caisley asked if there were any questions or comments; hearing none, he thanked Ms. Barnes.

Chairman Caisley indicated that the Sheriff was not in attendance, but his report was in the packet. Chairman Caisley commented on the numbers in the population report being higher than in the winter but still lower than 250.

Lori McCormick presented her monthly reports. Ms. Schafer asked about the Public Safety Assessment. Ms. McCormick indicated they recently had their first audit from the Arnold Foundation and they are analyzing the data received in that Audit. Chairman Caisley asked if there were any questions for Ms. McCormick; hearing none, he thanked Ms. McCormick.

Jason Chambers, State's Attorney presented the State's Attorney monthly Caseload Report and Asset Forfeiture Fund Report for the Committee. Mr. Chambers discussed reasons the DUI numbers are up including officers increased efforts to catch DUI offenders. Ms. Schafer asked about blood draws and how they are used in DUI matters that might involve drug use. Mr. Chambers indicated that if someone refuses to blow, and the officer has cause to believe they are over the limit, they can get a court order to have blood drawn. Mr. Chambers stated that blood draws can be requested if the officer believes the individual is driving under the influence of excessive use of prescription drugs but then the warrant would list prescription drugs for the test, not alcohol. Ms. Wollrab asked about the decrease in the jail numbers. Mr. Chambers stated they are trying to make sure the jail is used for those who need to be there. He indicated that first or second time misdemeanor offenders are less likely to be held over in the jail. Chairman Caisley asked about the new Assistant State's Attorneys and how our salaries compare with the job market. Mr. Chambers indicated that McLean County is competitive with other State's Attorney offices, but not as competitive with the private sector. Mr. Wasson indicated that the ASA I job class is one that is under review relative to the Department of Labor's new regulations regarding exempt employees and there is a good possibility that there will be changes to that job classification. Chairman Caisley asked if there were any questions or comments; hearing none, he thanked Mr. Chambers.

Mr. Wasson presented the monthly employment report and the positions filled under the oversight of the Justice Committee. Chairman Caisley asked if there were any questions for Mr. Wasson; hearing none, he thanked Mr. Wasson.

Chairman Caisley presented the Justice Committee bills for review and approval as transmitted by the County Auditor as of July 1, 2016. The Justice Committee bills include a Prepaid Total of \$683,151.40 and a Fund Total that is the same.

Motion by Robustelli/Wollrab to approve the Justice Committee Bills as of July 1, 2016 as transmitted by the County Auditor.
 Motion carried.

MCLEAN COUNTY BOARD COMMITTEE REPORT

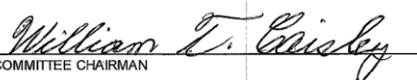
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EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY FUND

Justice Committee

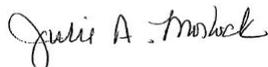
FUND	FUND TITLE	PENDING TOTAL	PREPAID TOTAL	FUND TOTAL
0001	GENERAL FUND		\$282,071.43	\$282,071.43
0129	CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CNTR		\$21,315.51	\$21,315.51
0138	CIRCUIT CLK/OPER & ADMIN		\$1,345.73	\$1,345.73
0140	CIRCUIT CLERK AUTOMATION		\$6,436.24	\$6,436.24
0141	COURT SECURITY		\$7,463.00	\$7,463.00
0142	COURT DOCUMENT STORAGE		\$32,825.46	\$32,825.46
0143	CHILD SUPPORT COLLECTION		\$1,424.83	\$1,424.83
0146	ADULT PROBATION SERVICES		\$11,648.04	\$11,648.04
0152	ASSET FORFEITURE-SAO		\$4,726.68	\$4,726.68
0155	ASSET FORFEITURE-SHERIFF		\$32,723.21	\$32,723.21
0156	IDPA IV-D PROJECT		\$28,091.34	\$28,091.34
0170	NEUTRAL SITE CUSTODY EXCH		\$4,167.00	\$4,167.00
0171	CHILDREN'S WAITING ROOM		\$2,750.00	\$2,750.00
0450	ETSB SURCHARGE FUND/E-911		\$192,858.08	\$192,858.08
0452	METRO COMMUNICATIONS CTR		\$52,002.52	\$52,002.52
0506	LAW LIBRARY		\$1,302.33	\$1,302.33
			\$683,151.40	\$683,151.40


 COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Chairman Caisley asked if there was any other business or communication for the Justice Committee; hearing none, he adjourned the meeting.

Adjourned at 4:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Julie A. Morlock
 Recording Secretary